

THREE PER CENT OF TAXPAYERS BEAR SIXTY PER CENT OF THE FINANCIAL BURDEN IN THE STATE

New Mexico Association Gives Figures From Two Counties to Show Fifty-Five Per Cent of Property Holders Pay Less Than \$25 Each; Twelve Per Cent Pay Up to \$500.

(By the Taxpayers' Association of 63 per cent of the taxes. Two New Mexico.)

A recent survey of the tax rolls for 1921 of Santa Fe and Colfax counties by the Taxpayers' Association of New Mexico suggests an interesting field for study for each county in the state. Santa Fe county, with a population of 15,030, shows 4,150 entries for taxes levied. Colfax, with a population of 21,550, shows 5,515 entries for taxes levied. In each county, of course, a large number of persons charged with taxes are non-residents and many entries are against the same taxpayer owning property in various districts.

On the face of the Santa Fe county tax roll, 4,150 property owners are charged with a total of \$352,232.80, distributed as follows according to the amount levied: 759 pay less than \$5 each; 872 pay from \$5 to \$10; 1,220 pay from \$10 to \$25; 269 pay from \$25 to \$50; 141 pay from \$50 to \$75; 161 pay from \$75 to \$100; 80 pay from \$100 to \$150; 78 pay from \$150 to \$200; 38 pay from \$200 to \$300; 22 pay from \$300 to \$400; 22 pay from \$400 to \$500; 86 pay over \$500 each.

The total amount paid in the last group is \$199,232.80; in other words, 3 per cent of the taxpayers pay 57 per cent of the taxes in Santa Fe county. Of the 4,150 taxpayers, 2,681 are charged with \$37,460.31. In other words, 65 per cent of the taxpayers pay only 8 per cent of the taxes. These 2,681 pay less than \$25 each, the average being a little more than \$10.

Pay Less Than \$5. In Colfax county, 743 taxpayers are charged with less than \$5 each; \$33 pay from \$5 to \$10; 1,167 pay from \$10 to \$25; 1,046 pay from \$25 to \$50; 569 pay from \$50 to \$75; 305 pay from \$75 to \$100; 372 pay from \$100 to \$150; 178 pay from \$150 to \$200; 218 pay from \$200 to \$300; 82 pay from \$300 to \$400; 52 pay from \$400 to \$500; 299 pay over \$500.

The number in the last group is considerably smaller than shown because many of these pay in several school districts. As shown, the 299 comprising 3.75 per cent of the total number of taxpayers pay

OUR NATIONAL LEGISLATORS



Senator J. W. Harrelld.

John William Harrelld is the junior senator from Oklahoma and, strange to say, he's a rock-ribbed republican. Republicans, as a rule, aren't popular in the south, but Harrelld is the exception to the rule. Born in Kentucky, Harrelld later moved to Ardmore, Oklahoma, where he practiced law and held several county offices. Then he moved to Oklahoma City. He was sent to congress in 1919, defeating Claude Weaver, democrat, and in 1920 defeated Scott Ferris, for the senate seat. He's married and fifty.

NEW MEXICO MASONS CONDEMN THE K. K. K.

(Special Correspondence to The Journal.) Santa Fe, June 30.—Masons of New Mexico are in no way in sympathy with the work or aims of the Ku Klux Klan, nor of any kindred organization. It is clearly shown in a statement made by Gen. Lucius Dills, grand master of New Mexico. The grand master's statement says: "Freemasonry has always been the champion of orderly legal processes, and utterly condemns the Ku Klux Klan and all other activities that seek to assume to substitute anarchy or mob violence in the stead of constitutional government and law."

OKLAHOMA LOSES. Colorado Springs, Colo., June 30.—Oklahoma university polo team playing in the low goal handicap at the Cheyenne Mountain Country club, today lost its first game to the Remount association quarter 9 to 7. The field was soggy from a heavy rain and play was slow. Each team was handicapped at two goals.

ELKS INITIATE 11 INTO ORDER; ADVISE CAMPS

At the regular meeting of the Elks this week the officers were assisted both in the meeting and the initiation by the Elks' orchestra, composed of twelve pieces, and were afterwards entertained by the Elks thirty-piece band and Andrews, the musician.

The following persons were admitted into the order: M. J. McGuinness, Felix L. Barsanti, Emil Kleinworth, Jr., Frank M. Cunningham, Nick DeBassio, Richard Zamora, J. B. McGuinness, John W. Hernandez, Joseph S. Quintana, Ben S. Levy was initiated for Logan, U. Lodge and L. A. Rowe was initiated for the local lodge by Sterling, Colo. lodge. Thirteen new applications were received.

It is customary for the Elks lodge through the membership to call the attention of all young men between the ages of 17 and 27 to the military training camp at Fort Bliss, Tex. from July 27 to August 27, to which these persons are admitted, all their expenses being paid by the government, including railroad fare, board, lodging, clothing and ammunition and medical attention. They give instruction of the highest order under men selected for this service from the best reserve officers of the government. Any Elk will be glad to assist young men to attend this military training camp.

The social and welfare committee, composed of Richard Guest and Moise Bergman, is doing good work for the lodge and for Albuquerque in general.

The entertainment committee, assisted by the officers of the lodge, is going to give a picnic some time during July for Elks and their ladies, this to be the first annual Elks picnic. Time and place will be given later. This is to take the place of the regular monthly dance.

Some fifty of the local members donated sufficient funds to purchase thirty uniforms for the newly organized band. The uniforms have been ordered and should be here in time for the picnic.

The Elks lodge had pledged to furnish a committee to raise \$2,500 for the Salvation Army building fund.

Special service was held on Wednesday night for the deaths of A. G. Shortle and D. J. Cook.

The Elks' radio outfit has been ordered and should be in place within the next few days.

Maurice Klein presented a silk flag to the lodge, which was very much appreciated.

All past exalted rulers will be presented within the next thirty days with a jewel in the shape of

watch fobs as a token of appreciation for their services to the lodge. The lodge has selected a plot in Fairview cemetery for an Elks rest. Caring is being put around the plot, trees planted with other appropriate decorations are being arranged.

Judge John Stansbury, member No. 50, who left here seventeen years ago, visited the local lodge this week. The judge is now located at Douglas, Wyo., where he is practicing law. It will be remembered by the oldtimers that when he was here he was connected with the United States Indian service.

THE PIGGLY WIGGLY FAMILY INCREASES; NEW STORE OPEN

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JUDGE BRATTON SAYS QUAY COUNTY HAS TOO MANY GUN CARRIERS

(Special Correspondence to The Journal.) Tucuman, N. M., June 30.—Judge Sam G. Bratton is conducting a special term of court here which opened Monday. A number of non-jury cases have been disposed of during the past three days. Judge Bratton is making a record in losing no time. He declares that too many have carried guns in the past and that drastic measures will be enforced to eradicate the practice. "Too many shootings have occurred in this district," the judge declared.

STREET GANG WORKS ON ROMA AVENUE; TO TAKE OUT THE BUMPS

A city street gang was put to work yesterday improving the condition of Roma avenue. That thoroughfare had been neglected for an interminable time, according to the statement of Commissioner Sidney Weil at the commission meeting Wednesday night.

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